*I’m From* Examples

I'm from Ed and Lenora and later on Gordan

I'm from narrow beaches and endless ice skating in Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey

I'm from Ellen T. Briggs School with Ms. Tiefau

The greatest kindergarten teacher in the world and Mrs. Staccioli the meanest.

I'm from tall, metal monkey bars, hanging on-for-life merry-go-rounds and skinned knees.

I'm from woodsy Kunkletown and far-away neighbors

I'm from Etch A Sketches, Sit-n-Spins, pink boom boxes and the original Super Mario Brothers

I'm from long days spent curled up in the library with

Nancy Drew, The Babysitters Club and Sweet Valley Twins

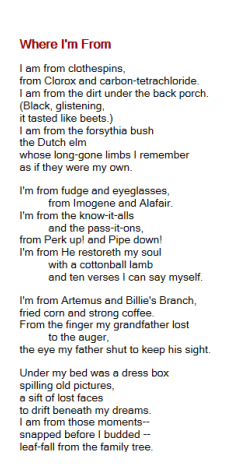
I'm from lights out at eight pm and cleaning your dinner plate.

I'm from "I haven't seen you in a dog's age" jokes from Grandma

I'm from "Don't fill up on bread" rules of my dad

and "Up the hoink" a secret mystery to all

*-K.Hopkins*



*I’m From* by Barry Lane

I’m from the Lower East Side

Of manhattan

I’m from skinny boys playing stick ball with broom handles

I’m from Mildreds and Minnies

Goldies and Gussies and

Other women who had their names changed at Ellis Island.

I’m from bagels and lox, chopped liver and herring

Pickle vendors with chubby fingers

Fishing out half-sour dills from big barrels

I’m from hot New Hampshire summers

Catching frogs in the swamp with Johnny Manning

Cherry popsicles that drop down your wrist

I’m from “Don’t get overheated,”

“You’ll poke your eye out.”

And yet I always get sweaty,

I always play with pointy sticks…

By George Ella Lyon